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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the Educational Fee Waiver at Pu'uhonua o Honaunau National Historical Park. **By law, to qualify for an Educational Fee Waiver, you must meet three criteria:**

- 1. **Eligibility Criteria:** A bonafide educational group must meet one of the following statements listed below:
 - A statement confirming educational or scientific tax exemption from the IRS or from the applicant's national, state, or local tax authority, or
 - A statement from a bonafide education institution confirming that the group is visiting for the purpose of providing transferable educational credit based on a curriculum, or
 - A statement of accreditation, or recognition as an educational institution, from a qualified national, regional, state, or local authority for the applicant's location.
- 2. **Education Purpose Criteria:** To exhibit your educational purpose, applicants must provide a written statement, with itinerary, identifying the park resources and/or facilities that will be used to support the educational purpose of the visit, and describe how they are relevant to that purpose.
- 3. **Relevance of Park Resources Criteria:** Applicants must provide a written statement, with itinerary, identifying the park resources and/or facilities that will be used to support the educational purpose of the visit, and describe how they are relevant to that purpose.

If you determine that, you are eligible:

- 1. Complete the attached application.
- 2. Fax the required items listed above, with a completed application, to us at least two (2) weeks prior to your visit.
- 3. If your request is granted, we will fax you a signed, approved copy of the Educational Fee Waiver. You will need to present this upon entry to the park.

Please discuss the following points with students and chaperones, prior to your visit:

- Waiver Copy: The Park retains the right to require payment if a copy of your waiver is not in your vehicle upon entry.
- On-the-Spot Waiver: The park retains the right to refuse all on-the-spot requests for Educational Entrance Fee Waivers.
- Health Concerns: Wasps and bees can sting and are especially bothersome in summer and fall.
- **Hospital**: the nearest hospital is in Kealakekua, about 30 minute drive from the park.
- Weather Conditions: Please be prepared and bring rain gear, sunglasses, sunscreen, and a hat; and wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes. If you will be hiking, students must carry their water and other essentials in a daypack. Label all packs and valuables with owner's name and address.
- **Trash:** to reduce the potential for littering, please allow time for a light snack or lunch prior to a hike. If you plan to bring and have your lunch in the park, please take all you trash back with you.
- **Promptness:** If your group is scheduled for a Ranger-led program, please be on time. A late arrival can cause your scheduled program to be shortened or cancelled, as rangers are assigned to several daily activities.
- Chaperone Limits: The Park retains the right to limit the number of chaperones, teachers and guides, as follows: One (1) Chaperone per: 1-10 College students, or 1-6 High School students, or 1-4 Preschool or Elementary students.

If you are interested in a Ranger-led walk or orientation or if you have any questions, please contact Park Ranger Charles Hua at (808) 328-2326 x 1241 (e-mail: charles t hua@nps.gov).